

CHAPTER NO. 210

HOUSE BILL NO. 1726

By Representatives Fowlkes, Brenda Turner

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1805

By Senator Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-6-901, relative to transportation of persons for mental health services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-6-901(a), is amended by:

(1) deleting the word "or" at the end of subdivision (2); by deleting the period at the end of subdivision (3) and substituting instead a comma and the word "or"; and by adding the following language as a new subdivision to be designated as follows:

(4) one or more friends, neighbors, other mental health professionals familiar with the person, relatives of the person, or a member of the clergy.

(2) adding the following sentence at the end of subsection (a)

If a mandatory prescreening agent, physician, or licensed psychologist with health service provider designation, who is acting under § 33-6-404(3)B), determines that the person does not require physical restraint or vehicle security, then any person identified in subsection (a)(4) may, instead of the sheriff, transport the person at the transporter's expense.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 14, 2003


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 29th day of May 2003


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR